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Number of immigrants recommended for rejection on steamship *America Maru*, for San Francisco, December 31, 1903, 3.

Number of immigrants recommended for rejection on steamship *Tosa Maru*, for Seattle, December 29, 1903, 1.

Report from Nagasaki—Immigrants for Honolulu and Manila recommended for rejection.

Sanitary Inspector Bowie at Nagasaki reports, December 18, as follows:

Number of Japanese immigrants for Manila recommended for rejection December 18, 1903, 94.

Number of Korean immigrants for Honolulu recommended for rejection, December 24, 1903, 56.

PORTO RICO.

Report from San Juan—Quarantine transactions, month of December, 1903—Vital statistics.

Chief Quarantine Officer King reports, January 7, as follows:

Month of December, 1903:

San Juan.—Number of vessels inspected, 21; number of bills of health issued, 36; number of vessels held in quarantine, 4; number of vessels disinfected, none; number of pieces of baggage disinfected, none; number of persons detained in quarantine for observation, 1; persons vaccinated, none.

The American steamers *Caracas* and *Philadelphia* of the Red D Line arrived at this port upon their regular schedules from Venezuelan ports and Curacao bound to New York. The *Caracas* entered on the 2d and 30th, and the *Philadelphia* on December 16. Neither steamer carried passengers requiring detention at the quarantine station. They were placed in quarantine as usual, taking cargo and passengers under guard while in port.

On December 23 the Spanish steamship *Buenos Aires* from Habana via Limon, Colon, Sabanilla, Curacao, Puerto Cabello, and La Guayra arrived. This vessel had 7 cases of fever among her crew. None of the characteristic symptoms were to be noted in those ill, and the histories of the cases all pointed to malarial infection. One of the men who desired to remain in San Juan was removed to the quarantine station for observation, as he had a temperature of 37.6 C. He was released from quarantine two days later, temperature normal, and apparently in excellent health. The ship was placed in quarantine under guard while in port. She carried no passengers for Porto Rico.

There exist at present 3 mild cases of varioloid in this city. These cases are sporadic ones. They are isolated and cared for under the supervision of the superior board of health.

The following is a summary of the inspection work done at the several subports of the island during the month: Mayaguez, 10; Arecibo, 4; Humacao, 3; Aguadilla, 6; Fajardo, 1; Arroyo, 1.

Mortality reports from the subports are as follows: Mayaguez, 104; Arecibo, 79; Humacao, 41; Aguadilla, 35; Fajardo, 33; Arroyo, 10.

Nothing of special interest is reported from the subports.

Vital statistics of the city of San Juan, P. R., for the month of December, 1903.

Septicæmia	1	Emphysema of lungs	1
Tetanus	4	Gastro-enteritis	5
Tubercle of lungs	19	Gastritis, chronic	2
Cancer (1 of stomach)	2	Cholera infantum	1
Anæmia	1	Hepatic cirrhosis	2
Meningitis, tubercular	1	Gunshot	1
Myelitis, chronic	1	Stillborn	10
Softening of brain	1		
Endocarditis	2	Total	64
Aortic insufficiency	2		
Mitral insufficiency	2	December, 1903:	
Dilatation of heart	1	Deaths	64
Heart failure	1	Births	108
Aortitis, chronic	1	December, 1902:	
Bronchitis, capillary	2	Deaths	69
Broncho-pneumonia	1	Births	73

*Inspection of immigrants.**Report of alien passengers arriving at San Juan during the week ended January 9, 1904.*

Date of arrival.	Vessel.	Where from.	Number of immigrants.
Jan. 6	Hercynia	Hamburg and St. Thomas	4

Report of alien passengers arriving at Ponce during the week ended January 9, 1904.

Date of arrival.	Vessel.	Where from.	Number of immigrants.
Jan. 3	Salvador	Fort de France, Pointe a Pitre, Basse Terre, St. Thomas.	2
6	Juan Forgas	Barcelona, Palma de Mallorca, Valencia, Alicante, Torrevieja, Malaga, Cadiz, Las Palmas, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, La Palma, San Juan, Mayaguez.	3
6	Zulia	Maracaibo, Curaçao, La Guaira	2
	Total		7

Report from Ponce—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Torres reports, January 9, through the chief quarantine officer, as follows:

During the week ended January 9, 1904, 6 vessels were inspected and 7 bills of health were issued. Three vessels inspected were passed and 3 were held under guard.

Those in quarantine were the French steamship *Fournel*, arrived from Fort de France, Trinidad, La Guaira, Puerto Cabello, Curaçao, Sabanilla, Cartagena, Colon, Jeremie, and all the ports of the coast of Haiti, Aguadilla, and Mayaguez. No passengers, no cargo for Ponce. The Italian steamship *Centro America*, from Colon, Curaçao, and La Guaira. No passengers for Ponce. The American steamship *Zulia*, from Maracaibo, Curaçao, and La Guaira. Three passengers for Ponce, 1 from Curaçao, and 2 from La Guaira, immunes, were allowed to disembark.

Nothing of special interest has occurred in the sanitary condition of this city and district.